

Senate Resolution 1248

By: Senator Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Amanda Davis; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Amanda Davis is the Emmy award winning coanchor for the top-rated FOX5
3 News at 6:00 and 10:00 P.M.; and

4 WHEREAS, she joined FOX5 in 1986 from WSB-TV Atlanta where she was an anchor and
5 reporter; and

6 WHEREAS, her broadcasting career began in Charlotte, North Carolina, with the NBC
7 affiliate, WRET-TV; and

8 WHEREAS, during her four years there, she became the main anchor and hosted a weekly
9 magazine show; and

10 WHEREAS, from Charlotte, she worked as the Washington correspondent for the Satellite
11 News Channel, which was the first competitor to go up against CNN in the early days of
12 cable news; and

13 WHEREAS, during her tenure at FOX5, Amanda Davis has reported on various issues and
14 served as anchor of the noon news and also launched the highly successful Good Day Atlanta
15 in 1992 before taking over the main anchor chair in 1997; and

16 WHEREAS, throughout her career, Ms. Davis has received numerous honors and awards,
17 including five Emmy awards from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences,
18 among them Best Newscast honors for anchoring FOX5 News in 1999 and 2000; and

19 WHEREAS, she has received five awards from the Atlanta Association of Black Journalists,
20 including Best Anchor in 2000; and

1 WHEREAS, in 1998, Ms. Davis was the recipient of the prestigious Edward R. Murrow
2 Award for her continuous live broadcasting during the clinic bombing in Atlanta; and

3 WHEREAS, her on-air work during that tense time was also honored by the Georgia
4 Association of Broadcasters with a Gabby Award; and

5 WHEREAS, it is her work to get Georgia's foster children permanent homes that is truly a
6 labor of love and is a project she began in 1997 with a series of stories called "A Place to
7 Call Home"; and

8 WHEREAS, the Freddie Mac Foundation then came to FOX5 with the idea of presenting
9 weekly profiles of children available for adoption, and "Wednesday's Child" was launched
10 in November of 2000; and

11 WHEREAS, in its first year, 32 children were placed in loving homes; and for her work with
12 Georgia's foster children, Ms. Davis has been honored by the Atlanta Association of Black
13 Journalists and the Kenan's Kids Foundation Media Award; and

14 WHEREAS, she graduated magna cum laude from Clark College in Atlanta and has been
15 recognized twice by her alma mater with its Distinguished Alumni Award and Community
16 Service Award; and

17 WHEREAS, it is only fitting to recognize Amanda Davis for outstanding contributions to
18 Georgia as an anchor and dedication to the community.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
20 recognize Amanda Davis and thank her in honor of Women's History Month for her many
21 contributions and service to the people and the State of Georgia.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
23 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Amanda Davis.